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This is a request for a continuation application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) (Continued Prosecution Application (CPA)) of prior patent application Serial No. 09/248,736, filed on February 11, 1999, and entitled CREATION OF CUSTOMIZED TREES.

The above-identified prior patent application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, and which has a filing date on or after June 8, 1995, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

- ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
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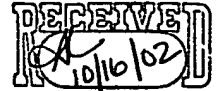
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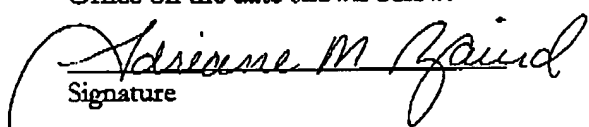
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